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TO AMEMBASSY COTONOU

INFO AMEMBASSY BAMAKO

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS:

SUBJECT. MALIAN TRUCKS FOR COTONOU/GAO FOOD SHIPMENTS

REF: (A) COTONOU 573 (B) BAMAKO 1608

1. AID/W HAS NO OBJECTION TO USE OF MALI-BASED TRUCKS TO TRANSPORT U.S. SORGHUM ON COTONOU/GAO RUN. ACCORDING TO THIS SCENARIO, HOWEVER, SMALL MALI TRUCK FLEET IN GAO WOULD HAVE TO BE AUGMENTED BY TRUCKS FROM MOPTI/SEGOU/ BAMAKO AREAS. DUE UPPER VOLTA/MALI BORDER DIFFICULTY, TRUCKS WOULD HAVE TOMOVE TO COTONOU VIA (A) ABIDJAN/ACCRA ROUTE OR (B) MOPTI/GAO/NIAMEY ROUTE. REGARDLESS OF APPROACH USED, THEMALI TRUCKS WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO RETURN TO MALI

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VIA COTONOU AFTER DEPOSITING SORGHUM IN GAO BECAUSE ROUTE

FROM GAO TO MOPTI WILL BE CLOSED TO TRUCK TRAFFIC WITH
COMING OF RAINS IN JULY. IF SUCH IS THE CASE, WE DOUBT THAT
PROSPECT OF USING THEIR VEHICLES ON COTONOU/GAO RUN WILL BE
AN ATTRACTIVE ONE TO MALI TRUCKERS OUTSIDE OF GAO.

2. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, AND FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, SUGGEST
AID REP/COTONOU PROCEED ON BASIS THAT REQUIRED NUMBER OF
MALI TRUCKS WILL NOT RPT NOT MATERIALIZE.

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